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# Brawn and Brains: *Ordies deliver high-tech by the ton*

By: JO1 Patrick Lane

It has been said in certain circles that without ordnance an F/A-18 is nothing but a multi-million dollar radio that can find its way home in the dark. Though this view may discount the value of America's high-tech, multi-role aircraft, it does make a point. It is true that the sleek, super-sonic jet gets a lot of air time in the media, but when you get down to the bottom line, it's just a very fancy delivery system for cold iron and hot steel. Putting ordnance on target is what the plane is all about. But, who puts the ordnance on the plane?

More importantly, who provided ordnance support to those pilots when they honed their trade to the deadly accurate edge displayed over Iraq and now, in Afghanistan? The men and women who work at the Naval Air Station Fallon Weapons Department play a vital role in the training of America's naval aviators and though they aren't in the cockpit they know their contribution to the War Against Terror is real.

"We're not out there actually doing the job, but, in a way, we are," said Aviation Ordnanceman Third Class (AO3) ReyDel Veenstra of Canyon City, Colorado. "It's cool that we have a part in something that significant to the world," she added.

With but two years in the Navy, Veenstra has had the op-

portunity to work with some of the most powerful, and smartest weapons in the world. "It's a rush," she said of the thrill in working with such formidable armaments.

Perhaps it's that rush, and the confidence required to work with bombs, missiles and rockets every day, that generates the attitude unique among Aviation Ordnancemen. That attitude evokes slogans such as the ever present "IYAOYAS," which translates roughly to "If You Aren't Ordnance, You Aren't... Superior." But, there exists a thin line between confidence and cockiness... and cockiness can get you killed. One need only think back to July 29, 1967 aboard USS Forrestal to be reminded that the ordnance designed to kill the enemy can just as easily kill our own. Aboard Forrestal a rocket unintentionally launched on deck resulted in the deaths of 134 men, the wounding of 161 more and the destruction of 21 aircraft. A lifetime safety record can be shattered in the split second it takes to ignite a small amount of Trinitrotoluene (TNT).

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Standing before a MK-84 2,000-pound bomb, AO3 ReyDel Veenstra holds up a 9mm round to illustrate the vast spectrum of weapons the AO's here work with. Between these smallest and largest examples are a wide range of rockets, missiles and bombs. The Weapons Department is responsible for the timely procurement, storage, assembly and issue of all ordnance and explosives. Photo by JO1 Patrick Lane

## A 'Mean' Grand Opening



Famed professional wrestling announcer, 'Mean' Gene Okerlund, along with NASF Commanding Officer Capt. Brad T. Goetsch and South West Region Club's manager, Barbara Montoya, cut the ribbon to the official opening of 'Mean Gene Burgers'. Photo by JO2 Eric D. Ritter. See more photos of Okerlund's visit on page 4

## CVW-14 gets busy



Ordies from VF-31 based with CVW-14 work to remove an ejector seat from an F-14 Tomcat. See CVW-14 story on page 3. Photo by JO3 Denise Morris

# Chaplain's Corner



By Cmdr. Jack Kirk, Base Chaplain

Once upon a time there was a little fish. He did pretty much what he wanted and swam wherever the water would allow. His parents sent him to swim in the school where he would learn many things about being a successful fish. And they warned him to watch out for certain other fish in the lake, and be especially alert for tasty looking worms dangling from strings that from time to time appeared in the water — they were deadly. And they reminded him, of course, always swim in a group.

The little fish heeded the wise counsel of his parents; but as time went on and he grew larger he tired of the old warnings. "That's not for me. It isn't for every fish, you know," he would say. So he dropped out of the school to swim with his friends and live the good life.

One day, feeling rather clever and confident, and very hungry, he swam past one of those tasty-looking worms on a string he'd heard about. He'd seen his friends snatch them. It looked easy. And this one was very tempting. So he went after it just like his friends had done many times, and bit it

right off. It was yummy. What about the danger he'd always heard about? "What danger," he thought? Soon another worm appeared. He went after it and gobbled it up. "Hey, this is great," he said to himself. It was exciting and delicious.

His parents were very concerned, but the little fish would not listen to them any longer. He would rather do his own thing!

The next day, little fish spied another of those tasty worms. It was early in the morning and he wanted breakfast. He went after the worm lickety-split. As he bit into it — you guessed it — a hook, unseen and sinister, tore into him. "Hey! This isn't fair! This is MY breakfast! I need help. It hurts. Somebody ought to do something! I'm a good fish. Why is this happening to me? I don't deserve this!" The little fish was never heard from again.

Dear God, for Jesus' sake, help us to hold onto the time tested morals and values You taught us in Your Word so we're not hooked by any new modern morality that doesn't "square up" with Your Word. Amen.

## Weapons, Cont. from Page 1

"You mess up one time, it's over," said AOC Michael Hurley, Weapons Assembly Division Chief, of the gravity of the job. "You end up killing yourself instead of the enemy. So, you've got to do this stuff right. You get no second chance," he said. This sentiment is shared among all the AOs. "Our main goal here is safety," said Veenstra. It would seem the AOs balance their confidence with a deep respect for the material they work with and a firm grounding in teamwork and training. "Everybody has the proper training," said Veenstra. "People aren't allowed to work with ordnance until they're team member qualified. Everyone works hard for their qualifications and they don't get them unless they deserve it," she said.

With the advancements in smart weaponry, that training has become more intense and much more technical. Global positioning systems (GPS), laser technology and micro-computer components make the job both physically and mentally challenging.

AOAN Sarah Monteith of Belfast Ohio has been in the Navy for two years and was recently recognized as Weapons Department Junior Sailor of the Month. She explains that the job isn't all about brute strength. "We have certain components that have to be torqued to precise specifications; computer controlled links to GPS and things like that, so we really have to know what we're doing," she said. Monteith described just some of the ordnance in the arsenal that she has worked

with here. With weapons such as the GBU series laser guided bomb, the AGM series anti-radiation missile and the JDAM (Joint Direct Attack Munitions) standard issue, the training has to be sophisticated.

Petty Officer Veenstra agrees. She explains that whether she is setting a precise timing on a fuse, or the coordinates needed for a GPS package to hit a specific target, the job is, "... a lot more challenging than I had expected," she said, adding "It's perfect for me. I think the AO rate is the best job in the Navy."



Many of the weapons that can be carried by Navy aircraft are displayed



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Protestant 11am  
Holy Thursday: Mass 6pm

Sunday: 9:30a.m./6p.m. Mass  
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Good Friday: Catholic 6pm  
Protestant 7:30pm (Bring the children to watch the story of Jesus)  
Easter Sunday: Mass 9:30am  
Protestant 11am  
Passover: Contact the chapel for information. 426-2813

## John Finn Road travels through history to 'Ordnance Town USA'

By JO1 Patrick Lane

The Naval Air Station Weapons Department is a sprawling complex located on the perimeter of the base; far away from where most of us live and work. Nobody wants to be too close to all those bombs. Unless, of course, embracing tons of high explosives every day is what you live for. Such as it is for the Aviation Ordnancemen who work here at the world-renowned "Ordnance Town USA".

Behind the secure, electronic gates of the Naval Air Station, Fallon Weapons Department, acres of wide-open space is punctuated by huge mounds of dirt, as if giant prairie dogs have set up housekeeping in the desert. Those mounds are actually weapons magazines where the "business end" of Naval Aviation is stored before being mounted on America's finest fighter and bomber aircraft. Last year over 31 million pounds of ordnance passed through those gates. But, before it was delivered into the hands of the men and women at Fallon's Weapons Department, all of it traveled down John Finn Road.

But, who is John Finn and why have we honored him by dedicating this road in his name?

Born on July 24, 1909, Finn joined the Navy at the age of 17 in 1926. He served aboard several ships and with various patrol squadrons, working his way to the rate of Aviation Chief Ordnanceman. Fate would have him serving with VP-14/45 at Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii on December 7, 1941.

During the attack on Pearl Harbor Finn manned a .50 caliber gun mount to return fire on attacking Japanese aircraft at the Naval Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. He left the gun mount only after the wave of Japanese aircraft has subsided to return to the squadron area to oversee the re-arming of American aircraft. Finn sustained no less than 21 wounds from gunfire during the attack. For his selfless dedication, he was awarded the Medal of Honor by Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz aboard USS Enterprise.

Chief Finn continued his career by joining the ranks of "Mustang" officers where he rose to the rank of Lieutenant before retiring after 21 years of distinguished service. Finn is the first Medal of Honor recipient of WWII and is the last surviving recipient from that day of infamy.

Finn currently lives in Southern California. He was present at the 50th Anniversary of the end of WWII where he was chosen to toss a memorial wreath of flowers into the waters of Pearl Harbor from the decks of USS Carl Vinson along with President Clinton.

The Ordnance men and women of the Weapons Department here are proud to drive down John Finn Road every day where they can take part in the honorable history of their rating and those who went before them. But the greatest honor may very well be John Finn's as truckload after truckload of ordnance travels down his road on its way to the capable hands of America's finest Weapons Department.

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# CVW-14: Setting the standard

By JO3 Denise Morris

The United States Navy has done a lot of work in recent years to clean up the image of the quintessential Sailor. In a past era that image was less than admirable, as was depicted in the 1973 film "The Last Detail" starring Jack Nicholson. Long gone is the picture of a Sailor with his dixie cup perched on the back of his head swinging a stool in a bar room brawl. Or is it?

Carrier Air Wing 14 (CVW-14) recognizes the potential for a visiting air wing to leave a negative impression on residents of the base and the citizens of Fallon and works hard from the top down to prevent that from happening. CVW-14 maintains the goal of being good citizens wherever they deploy and returning the hospitality they receive from each port. They also believe that sometimes a low profile is best. "I think, from talking to the people on base, that they don't even notice that we're here," said AO1 Michael Breedlove, CAG Ordnance LPO. He contrasted this

to his experience when he was stationed here in the late '90s when, because of poor behavior, everyone knew when a CAG was aboard.

CVW-14 recently experienced the turn over of their highest officers including the CAG, Deputy CAG and the Command Master Chief. The new leadership has brought innovative ways of thinking to the command. For instance, establishing a relationship with civic leaders was a priority and they met with the Chamber of Commerce, Chief of Police and the Sheriff here in Fallon to learn how to avoid the problems other CAGs have experienced

***"It's not the one individual that makes us all look bad or one individual that makes us all look good; it's where we are as a team that measures our true value."***

**—CMDCM(AW/SW) Evelyn "Vonn" Banks**

while training here.

CMDCM(AW/SW) Evelyn "Vonn" Banks explained how the command addressed potential problem areas with constructive activities to enhance the motivation level of their Sailors. Fashioning methods for keeping the base clean and the barracks a pleasant place to live were mapped out for the CAG members

is important. Banks even took a cue from MCPON John Herdt, who recommends professional and motivational literature to all Sailors to enhance their personal and professional growth. She selected a handbook to recommend to Sailors of all ranks. Her selection, "Good Citizens" Handbook, is a guide to good behavior that reinforces being a good neighbor, listening to others, being grateful and other qualities that can translate to being a good Sailor. "Our idea of leadership is that it starts at the beginning," said Banks, adding, "You are a leader whether you are lateral, subordinate or senior leadership."

CMDCM(AW/SW) Jerry Genet, VF-31 Command Master Chief, agrees with Banks and believes that leadership should be there for the Sailors. "You can't just put a sign on the wall and tell them 'this is what you are supposed to do'," he said. In fact, Genet conducts an open session with his Sailors before releasing them on liberty where they can talk openly about their concerns. "When you tell your people the same message over, and over they may tune it out," he said. "But when it gets to the point where they hear it enough that they are able to finish the message, that's a good thing; that means the message is getting through," he added.

That message isn't lost on the members of the CAG. YN2

*See CVW-14 page 5*

# Assignment sends kids into the community

By JO1 Patrick Lane

Community spirit brought together some of the city of Fallon's notables such as the Chief of Police, the owner of Nevada's oldest operating movie Theater, the County Sheriff and others to witness the results of a project conducted by students in the Gifted and Talented Student program. Tasked with writing a report on a person who makes a difference in the community by displaying traits such as being a risk taker or life-long learner the students learned a lesson not only about their chosen local personality, but also about interaction with positive role models.

Ms. Michelle Austin, coordinator for the Gifted and Talented education program in Churchill County School District, initiated the "Pull Out" program, where certain elementary school children are 'pulled out' of their regular classes once a week and attend a class at the local high school. Here they work on special projects. This particular project was called "Who's Who in the Community."

Among the community notables selected by a student to be highlighted was Lt. Nathan Snipes, a pilot with the Naval Station Search and Rescue team. James Childers, a fifth grade student with E.C. Best Elementary School sought out Snipes for the interview, which he conducted through e-mail.

Childers was pleased with the cooperation Snipes showed him with the project. "He is a real risk taker," said Childers, noting that Snipes' job fit the criteria of the report he was tasked to write. "... you never know what might go wrong up there in the air" he explained. "...your engines could go out and you would crash on the ground," he added.

Snipes is a new addition to the Fallon team having arrived recently

from Atsugi Japan where he spent three years flying Seahawks with HSL-51. He said he was happy to get involved and help out James with his project. "I was involved in commu-

nity service as a kid; Boy Scouts and things like that," said Snipes, adding, "When people helped me, I remembered that. So whenever I can help out, I'll do it."



*James Childers, a fifth-grade student at E.C. Best Elementary School, poses with his mother, Kim Krammer and NASF SAR pilot, Lt. Nathan Snipes at the Old High School where James presented his report on Snipes as part of a community program with the Gifted and Talented Children's program. Photo by JO1 Patrick Lane*

Through the e-mail interview, Snipes learned that James was exceptionally bright and was pleasantly surprised at the depth of the interview. "I was amazed that a kid of this age would be doing something of this caliber. I was very impressed. That's one of the reasons I wanted to meet him because I figured he had to be a pretty bright kid."

The value of the exercise turned out to be more than just mechanical, learning the steps of conducting an interview and compiling information to construct a feature story about an individual. Lessons in courage and self-esteem slipped in between the functions of completing the tasks. Austin tracked the students over the eight-week course and was able to see their progress as their confidence grew. She explained how some of the students commented on how nervous they were interviewing such respected community members, but reported

that once into the project, it became fun for them. "I think they did a beautiful job," she said, adding, "They found out a lot of things about themselves as well as the people they interviewed."

After corresponding on-line, Snipes finally was able to meet James face to face when he attended the presentation of the reports at the High School. In helping a young student with a classroom project, it's possible Snipes learned a little something too. Something that we can all share in. Though you may find yourself many miles — and a few years — away from your hometown, it is possible to give something back to the community. Even if it's your recently adopted community. All the men and women of NASF have something valuable to share, and in giving of your time and experience, you may just find that the community has something valuable to return: friendship.

# NAS Fallon...Let's get ready to... *eat some burgers*

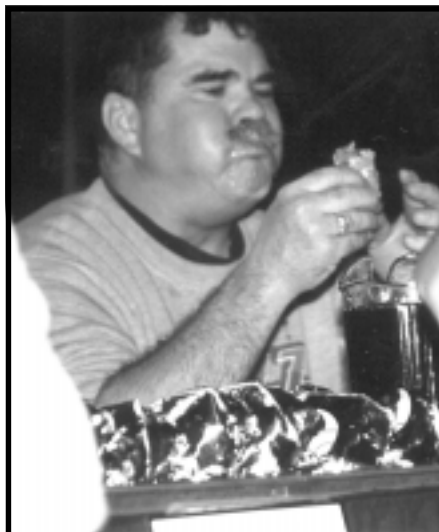
Photos by JO2 Eric D. Ritter



Okerlund stopped to see some of the Seabees at work. The Seabees even personalized a helmet for him..



Hamburger carnage lays all around during the hamburger eating contest.



Some burger enthusiasts competed in a burger eating contest. Contestants had five minutes to eat as many burgers they could to win a \$200 prize for most



Okerlund took time from the autographs to pose for pictures with his fans.

***"Even though we're going through some serious times (in the world), it's apparent that we can still have fun. And, as an American, I would like to thank everyone at this base for everything they are doing for our country."***

**-- 'Mean' Gene Okerlund**



Some fans even showed off some their own wrestling moves.



Okerlund didn't only sign pictures. He was also signing the shirts on people's backs.



Fans of all ages came out to see 'Mean' Gene.



Okerlund grabs the mic to speak to the crowd.

**CVW-14, From page 3**

Richard McKay from VFA-113 has been with the wing since September and notices the difference from the other commands he has been assigned to. "I know a lot of commands are more about getting the job done," he stated, adding, "I think they (VFA-113) really care about their people and are concerned about their problems."

This sentiment may be shared among most of the members of the airwing, but Banks understands there will be those who don't get the message and believes that when a Sailor gets into trouble it's a cry for help. "We are trying to redevelop those Sailors. We want to let them know that we still love them and have to get to the root of the problem and are not just dealing with the symptom," she said. According to Banks, this could be the most important aspect in rehabilitat-

ing a misguided Sailor, because you can't demean their human dignity. "Sailors have to know that they bring something to the table that is valuable to the CAG as a whole," she said. In fact, their value may lie in their ability or willingness to rise to a higher standard. "We find that what is really good is that Sailors will live up to your expectations. If you expect them to be professional Sailors, as least a majority will work hard at meeting your elevated standards," said Banks.

Banks understands that the conduct of her Sailors in the community is a direct reflection of their citizenship within the command, but it is not accomplished at the individual level. It takes the whole team. "It's not the one individual that makes us all look bad or one individual that makes us all look good; it's where we are as a team that measures our true value," she said.

**Why recycle at the office?**

By: Cecil Cook, NASF Recycling manager

If you work in an average office, you can save at least 17 trees and keep 60 pounds of air pollution out of the skies for each ton of paper you recycle. Recycling paper even helps to reduce acid rain. How? The process of recycling paper used 25 to 50 percent less oils and chemicals to accomplish the same end. Thus, less pollution is released into the air.

Nationwide, office wastepaper recycling programs have the potential to conserve the energy equivalent of 348 gallons of oil per recovered ton of paper. Given that as much as 85 percent of all office waste is paper – more than 4 million tons of it. It is hard to imagine how your office could do more in a shorter period to improve environmental quality than by setting up a paper-recycling program.

In fiscal year 2001, NAS Fallon recycled over 110 tons of office paper. However, we have only scratched the surface, as this represents only 25 percent of paper generated here. Office paper is valued by recyclers, mainly because the long fibers found in high-quality bond and computer paper allows it to be reprocessed into many other quality products. Short fiber waste paper, such as newspaper, is also valuable because it can be processed into products such as toilet paper and paper towels.

Over 200 paper mills in the U.S. rely exclusively on 'waste paper' to make their products, and this market is growing. According the American

Paper Institute, at least 30 million tons of waste paper are processed into cardboard boxes, newspapers, and assorted paper each year, with another 10 million tons being exported overseas.

Recycling makes good economic sense for every business or government agency, especially if they have to pay to cart their own trash away. Recycling paper can save NAS Fallon as much as \$50 per ton in landfill costs. Approximately 700 tons of materials were recycling last fiscal year at NAS Fallon, saving more than \$25,000.

Is recycling worthwhile? I think the answer is very obvious!!!!

**Interesting Tidbit**

- Recycling one ton of paper saves will save those 17 trees from destruction

- 348 gallons of oil

- It takes 60 percent less energy to manufacture paper from recycled stock than virgin materials. Every ton of recycled paper saves 4200 kilowatt of energy, or enough to meet the energy needs of at least 4000 people.

- Making paper from recycled stock uses 15 percent less water. Recycling one ton of paper saves 7000 gallons of water, enough to supply the daily needs of thirty households.

Every ton of paper recycled saves on the average 3 cubic yards of landfill space. This will double the life of the landfill.

**¡Reno Español televisión ea hasta Fallon!**

Adolfo Segura (center) with Azteca America, KUVR-TV 68 interviews MA1 Arthur Mata of Security as his canine partner, Paco, stands by. Segura conducted the interview for the Spanish language station for a feature story about NAS Fallon, which aired Monday. The Nation's rising interest in the military creates many opportunities to tell the Navy's story. Petty Officer Mata and several other bi-lingual Sailors made it possible to inform the local Spanish-speaking audience about the base in their own language. Photo by JO1 Patrick Lane.

**Navy Reservists Provide More Than Physical Presence**

By Michelle Autin, Naval Reserve Force Public Affairs

NEW ORLEANS (NNS) — Naval Reservists from a variety of enlisted ratings have been mobilized for security duty and are helping to strengthen the Navy's physical security force throughout the world.

Lt. Cmdr. Edwin Lombard, Naval Support Activity (NSA) New Orleans security officer, highlighted the fact that Naval Reservists, now mobilized, are integrated completely into the naval security force. They are on active duty around the clock.

"Their activation has allowed us to obtain a higher level of force protection," Lombard said. He emphasized that they are more than physical presence. "They provide a key element in physical security of the installation as a whole. Our security force protects the installation and personnel."

Mobilized Naval Reservists receive intensive basic security and weapons training to become full-time naval security force personnel. On-the-job training continues alongside full-time law enforcement personnel to include Department of Defense civilians, active-duty masters-at-arms (MAs) and Sailors holding the Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) code 9545 for Navy law enforcement.

Chief Disbursing Clerk McCalla

Dooley is responsible for weapons and anti-terrorism training for the security department and auxiliary security force personnel at NSA. Trained by the Marines in anti-terrorism methods, he has coordinated training in various types of weapons, first aid, responses to calls and mobile patrols.

Sailors are given training in basic security functions such as watch standing, vehicle and personnel searches, identification card checks,

vehicle registration checks and searches of areas not visible on camera. Dooley was impressed with the performance of mobilized Reservists.

"The mobilized Reservists have been positive and professional," Dooley said. "It's a life-changing evolution for much of them. They cared to understand the mission and took it on board. They provide a visible physical presence as an anti-terrorism measure."

News and Notes

The history of Women's History Month

March 16

**Bingo Blowout!** Spelling can be very profitable when you try to spell Bingo at the John Ascuagas Nugget in Reno. MWR is offering a chartered trip beginning at 9:30am and ending at 6pm. Entry into the games is \$85. That fee includes two six packs of cards as well as the dabur. Call 426-2275 for transportation fee details.

March 21

The Silver State Club is offering a Family Night dinner. There, you will be treated to a build-your-own burger bar. Cost is \$5.95 per person between 5-8pm.

Easter weekend

Get away on the Easter Weekend Get-away. Jst-REC it is offering a charter bus to "Sin City" March 29, 30 and 31. Go there to experience all life Vegas has to offer such as Roller Coasters, gameparks, sightseeing and the world famous nightlife. Participants must be at least 18-years-old. Buses depart Friday around 5pm and will return Sunday at 7pm. Lodging at Motel 6, across from MGM, is provided. Call 426-2836 for more information and prices.

Auto Hobby Shop

The base Auto Hobby Shop is of-

fering 25% off for labor when you bring your vehicle in for an oil change and lube.

Golf Driving Range

Go for a long drive! The Golf Driving Range is open seven days a week from sun-up to sun-down. Golf clubs are available for rent. Call 426-2598 for more info.

Fitness Center

The update for more information about a more personalized fitness program is now available. Call 426-2251 for more details.

Spinners Internet cafe

Warmer weather is just around the corner. New cold drinks will be there to combat that heat. Spinners is now offering banana, strawberry and rasberry to its line of smoothie flavors.

Planet X

Thursdays--Mixed DJ  
Fridays--Hip Hop  
Saturday--Mixed DJ  
Sunday--Kareoke  
Order any item at the club between the hours of 1-4pm and receive a coupon for free bowling.  
Nightlife entertainment at Planet X begins at 8pm

In 1911 in Europe, March 8 was first celebrated as International Women's Day. In many European nations, as well as in the United States, women's rights was a political hot topic. Woman suffrage — winning the vote — was a priority of many women's organizations. Women (and men) wrote books on the contributions of women to history.

But with the economic depression of the 1930s which hit on both sides of the Atlantic, and then World War II, women's rights went out of fashion. In the 1950s and 1960s, after Betty Friedan pointed to the "problem that has no name" — the boredom and isolation of the middle-class housewife who often gave up intellectual and professional aspirations — the women's movement began to revive. With "women's liberation" in the 1960s, interest in women's issues and women's history blossomed.

By the 1970s, there was a growing sense by many women that "history" as taught in school — and especially in grade school and high school — was incomplete with attending to "her story" as well. In the United States, calls for inclusion of black Americans and Native Americans helped some women realize that women were invisible in most history courses.

And so in the 1970s many universities began to include the fields of

women's history and the broader field of women's studies.

In 1978 in California, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women began a "Women's History Week" celebration. The week was chosen to coincide with International Women's Day, March 8.

The response was positive. Schools began to host their own Women's History Week programs. The next year, leaders from the California group shared their project at a Women's History Institute at Sarah Lawrence College. Other participants not only determined to begin their own local Women's History Week projects, but agreed to support an effort to have Congress declare a national Women's History Week.

Three years later, the United States Congress passed a resolution establishing National Women's History Week. Co-sponsors of the resolution, demonstrating bipartisan support, were Senator Orrin Hatch, a Republican from Utah, and Representative Barbara Mikulski, a Democrat from Maryland.

This encouraged even wider participation in Women's History Week. Schools focused for that week on special projects and exhibitions honoring women in history. Organizations sponsored talks on women's history. The National Women's History Project be-

gan distributing materials specifically designed to support Women's History Week, as well as materials to enhance the teaching of history through the year, to include notable women and women's experience.

In 1987, at the request of the National Women's History Project, Congress expanded the week to a month, and the U.S. Congress has issued a resolution every year since then, with wide support, for Women's History Month. The U.S. President also issues a proclamation annually of Women's History Month.

To further extend the inclusion of women's history in the history curriculum (and in everyday consciousness of history), the President's Commission on the Celebration of Women in History in America met through the 1990s. One result has been the effort towards establishing a National Museum of Women's History for the Washington, DC, area, where it would join other museums such as the American History Museum.

The purpose of Women's History Month is to increase consciousness and knowledge of women's history: to take one month of the year to remember the contributions of notable and ordinary women, in hopes that the day will soon come when it's impossible to teach or learn history without remembering these contributions.

Rock 'n' Bowl

Sailors take a break from the lanes to show off their excitement during the recent Rock 'n Bowl event that featured extreme bowling where state-of-the-art equipment complete with glo balls and pins, automatic scoring and extreme music add to the excitement. Photo by Jenni Dormuth



Desert Moon Theater

Friday, March 15	
6:30pm	Mothman Prophecies (PG13)
9pm	Brotherhood of the Wolf (R)
Saturday, March 16	
6:30pm	A Walk to Remember (PG)
9pm	I am Sam (PG13)
Sunday, March 17	
2pm	ET (PG)
5pm	Snow Dogs (PG)
7:30pm	The Count of Monte Cristo (PG13)
Monday, March 18	
6:30pm	Beautiful Mind (PG13)
Tuesday, March 19	
6:30pm	Mothman Prophecies (PG13)
Wednesday, March 20	
11am	Black Hawk Down (R)
6:30pm	Brotherhood of the Wolf (R)
Thursday, March 21	
6:30pm	A Walk to Remember (PG)
Friday, March 22	
6:30pm	I am Sam (PG13)
9pm	Collateral Damage (PG13)



March 15

1865 - In largest amphibious operation of war, Union forces capture Ft. Fisher, NC  
1943 - Numbered fleet system established  
1947 - Ensign John W. Lee becomes first African American officer commissioned in regular Navy. He was assigned to USS *Kearsage*.

March 16

1911 - Hulk of USS *Maine* sunk at sea in deep water with full military honors.  
1945 - Iwo Jima declared secure.

March 17

1898 - USS *Holland*, first practical submarine, launched  
1959 - USS *Skate* (SSN-578) surfaces at North Pole

March 18

1945 - Carriers begin 3 month Okinawa Campaign by destroying aircraft on Kyushu, Japan

March 19

1917 - Navy Department authorizes enrollment of women in Naval Reserve with ratings of yeoman, radio electrician, or other essential ratings.

# The Desert Classifieds

## Pets:

• If you're looking for a new or lost pet, please check with the Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS). They have a number of animals available for adoption or sponsorship. Call 423-7500 for more information.

## Autos:

•1992 Chevy S10 P/U, low miles 45,000, 5SPD, 2.8L V6, new tires and sport rims, A/C, AM/FM Cassette, excellent condition \$4,000 OBO, 423-1306  
 •For Sale-1987 Ford F-150 4x4, extended cab. Good condition, runs well. \$3,000. Call Daryn. (775)530-7237 (w) 423-1895(h).  
 •1997 Nissan Pathfinder LE, auto, loaded, leather. In excellent condition with 47,000 miles, retails at \$22,500, asking \$19,000. Call Nick (h) 867-3669 (w) 426-3259  
 •1998 Kawasaki vulcan Classic 800 motorcycle, new batter, immaculate condition, 1,100 miles, \$5,000. Call Bob at 423-6377 (days) or 428-1855 (evenings); leave message at either number.  
 •For sale: blue, 1988 Ford F150; 1994-300 6-cylinder motor w/ 25,000 miles; many new parts; ½ ton; automatic transmission; many new parts to the motor; overall good condition. Call 428-1078 if interested.

## Misc.:

•Dual Stroller for sale. Two-way stadium seating. All-terrain tandem stroller. Excellent Condition. Front seat reverses so tots can ride face-to-face. Rear seat fully reclines. Great for infants. Asking \$100. Call Laura at 423-9465.  
 •Bedroom for rent. Located near the library in Fallon. Asking \$400 a month. Price covers all expenses except food. Full access to kitchen and bathroom. Call Dorthy at beeper # 426-6895.  
 •White Wicker Full size bed with mattresses, has headboard and foot board excellent condition asking \$250.00. Also, have the white wicker night stand to match also excellent condition asking \$25.00.

Also for sale: Kenwood stereo system with cabinet, speakers, 2 sided tape deck, tuner, cd player (holds 5 CDs) and amplifier all are also in excellent condition. Now asking \$500.00. Please call 423-2624.

•Items for sale: baby clothes (0-4T, 5), toys, Bassett crib and misc. items. Also have wetsuit for sale. Cal 428-327 to see any items.

•1995 G.E., 21.7 cu. ft., side-by-side, frost-free refrigerator/freezer with ice maker. Asking \$650/OBO. Phone AECS Jim Williamson at 426-3485, during normal working hours or 423-8619, after normal working hours.

•Deluxe Stoller with car seat \$65. Call Mardie at 423-2246.

•Murray Go Cart: 2-seater with roll cage and seat belts. 5-HP engine, new condition. Loads of fun for the entire family. \$500. Call Bill Sizemore if interested 428-3202

•**Wanted** Quad reasonably priced, 423-7405

•Looking for a way to get your car to your new duty station? Call Ed Gieratz. I will drive your car to your new duty station and I'm willing to go anywhere in the country. If you have questions or are interested in this service, please call me at 423-7776 or e-mail me at: [safedriver59@yahoo.com](mailto:safedriver59@yahoo.com).

•Roommate wanted for 3 bdrm, 2 car garage. Next to Art Center in town. Asking \$400 a month. Call 426-2081 for more information.

•Looking for that one particular elusive item? Put your wanted ad in the Desert Roundup by calling 426-2880.

To place an ad, please call or email JO2 Eric Ritter at 426-2880, [ritter.eric@fallon.navy.mil](mailto:ritter.eric@fallon.navy.mil).

Ads normally run for six issues of the Desert Roundup. However, if you would like more time or to have it removed sooner, please contact JO2 Eric Ritter at your convenience.

# CAPS Corner



**James is a 4-year-old male. He is a calm lapcat and would make a great addition to any family. James is already fixed and has his shots up-to-date.**

The Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS) is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am to 3pm.

The volunteer society is dedicated to the temporary care and final placement of stray, abandoned or otherwise unwanted animals into loving homes.

For those choosing a pet from CAPS, discount certificates for spay and neutering services at local veterinarian clinics are available. Before you look elsewhere, give CAPS a try by visiting the facility at the corner of Wildes and Crook Roads, or call 423-7500.

A large portion of the animals currently at CAPS came from base housing and seem to be lost pets.

CAPS currently has many cats and dogs ready for immediate adoption. If you think you might be looking for a pet, choosing one from CAPS is an alternative that can give you a loving addition to your family and also address the pet over-population problem.

CAPS now has a website courtesy of AdvancedInternet: <http://www.aiinc.com/caps>.

All the animals available for adoption are on the website. Can't afford to adopt an animal? Go to our website, and find out about our Animal Sponsorship Program. Email CAPS at [caps@aiinc.com](mailto:caps@aiinc.com) or call 423-7500.



Friday, March 15

1 am, History Channel — Silent Service: Tracking the Enemy  
 8 pm - Discovery Channel - Navy SEALs III: Direct Action  
 9 pm, History Channel — Silent Service: Submarine Special Operations

Saturday, March 16

12:30 am - Discovery Channel - Navy SEALs III: Direct Action  
 1 am, History Channel — Silent Service: Submarine Special Operations  
 11 am/11 pm, VH1 Dedication: Show #6 (premiere). Video dedications from STENNIS Sailors  
 3 pm, History Channel: High Tech, High Sea: Design and Construction

Sunday, March 17

5 pm, History Channel - Silent Service: Tracking the Enemy  
 5 pm, TLC - Navy SEALs Untold Stories: Vietnam  
 6 pm, History Channel — Silent Service: Submarine Special Operations UPCOMING

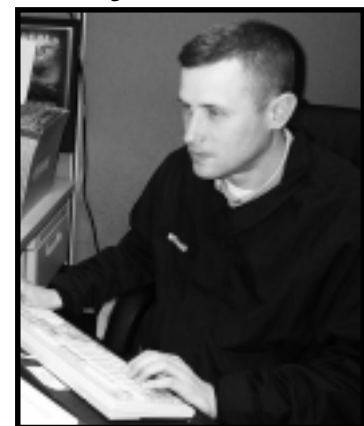
Monday, March 18

9 pm, History Channel - True Story of Black Hawk Down

Wednesday, March 20

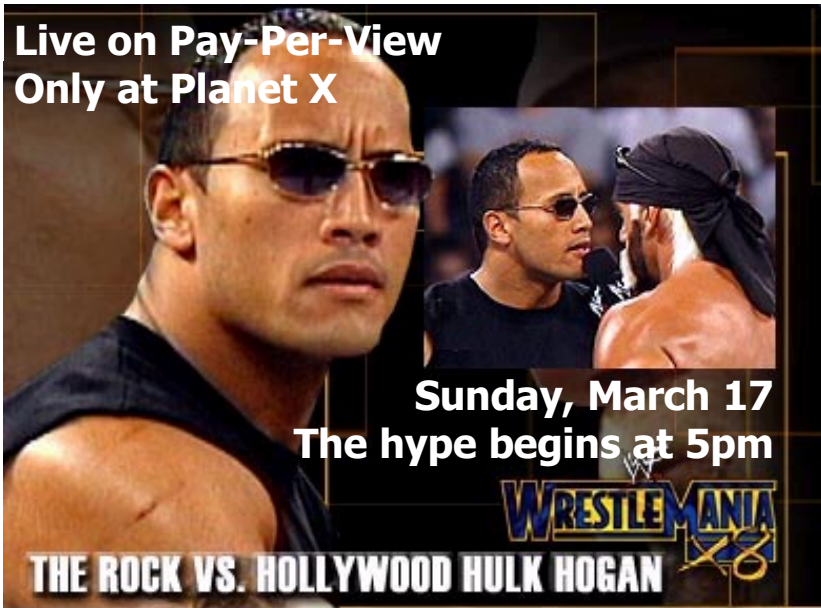
8 pm, Discovery Health - Super Surgery: Former USS Wyoming CO Lung Transplant

## New face on base



YNSN James Norman, leave clerk, processes leave papers in the Administration Department. He arrived here recently from Army Camp Garry Owen in South Korea. He served in the Army for a total of seven years and he was in the Naval Reserves for a year and a half before he joined the Navy four months ago. After work, he likes to work on his computer. While he is in Fallon he plans to finish his degree.

**Live on Pay-Per-View  
Only at Planet X**



**Sunday, March 17**  
**The hype begins at 5pm**

**WRESTLEMANIA X8**

**THE ROCK VS. HOLLYWOOD HULK HOGAN**

**Sneak Preview  
Showing of E.T.  
20th Anniversary**

**March 17  
First Come,  
First Serve**



**Desert Moon Theater**

**E.T.**  
THE EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL  
THE 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



***MWR Presents  
St. Patrick's Day  
Bashes!***

**Planet X--  
Green Beer, Awesome DJ  
and appetizers  
March 15 from 7pm 'till  
????**

**Silver State O'Club--  
March 15  
Food begins at 7pm and  
then the band, Stagedoor  
Johnny will be ready to  
rock.  
Be ready to party, but be  
prepared. Wear Green!**

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